

## FREE BELGIUM AND POLAND IS SOCIALIST PLEA

### International Conference Unit- ed Against Annexation or Indemnities.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The complete re-establishment of the independence of Belgium and Poland and a democratic federal union of the Balkan states were points unanimously agreed upon at the opening of the International Socialist conference at The Hague Monday, according to a detailed account of the session received here.

The question of Belgian independence was raised when a letter was read from Emile Vandervelde, the Belgian minister of munitions. Minister Vandervelde, who is one of the leaders of the socialist party in Belgium, insisted that the conference should declare itself unreservedly for the restoration of his native land. There was no opposition to this, but it was decided not to attempt to deal with the thorny question of Alsace-Lorraine.

**America Recovers Poise.**  
Algeron Lee, socialist candidate for the governorship of New York, reviewed the effect of the war on socialist organizations in America. He said that during the first year the influence was very depressing, people being more or less thrown off their balance, but they have thoroughly recovered now. Mr. Lee said the socialist party in America thinks it would be best if neither side is crushingly defeated.

**Problem in United States.**  
The American delegate said the United States has as its own problem a very strong militarist movement which has grown up there. Not only socialists, but trades unionists and pacifists are extremely active in combating this and he believed the anti-militarist movement has become stronger and clearer.  
After the conference had adjourned Mr. Lee said the delegates were united on the ground that the war should not result in either annexations or indemnities.

Colonel A. W. C. Weeks, republican for justice of the peace, Oklahoma City.—Political Adv.

## HEARD AT THE CRIME CLUB

BY FRANK FROEST

This Week's Story:

### The Case of Madeline Fulford

Next Week—"THE MAKER OF DIAMONDS"

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(Continued from yesterday.)

On Fleet street he hailed a taxi and was driven straight to the Palace hotel. A couple of men were in the big hall smilingly parrying the questions of half a dozen journalists. One of them shook his head as Silvervale pushed his way to the front.

Silvervale managed to get the detective aside. "You must give me five minutes, Forrester," he whispered hastily. "I know who killed her."

"The fence you do," said the detective. "Come, let's get out of this. Halt a moment, Roker."

His assistant disengaged himself from the other newspaper men, and Forrester led the way to the lift. At the third floor they emerged. Very quietly the door of the lift closed behind them, and half unconsciously Silvervale found himself tapping along the corridor, although in any event the soft carpet would have deadened all sound. A man standing stiffly against a white door flung it open as they approached. Within a couple of men were heading over something on a couch, and two more were busy near the window overlooking the river. No one looked up. Forrester passed straight through to another and smaller room and fitted his burly form to a basket armchair. He waved Silvervale to another.

"And now fire away, sonny," he said. Concisely, in quick, succinct sentences, Silvervale told his story. As he concluded Forrester drew a worn briar pipe from his pocket and packed it with a meditative forefinger.

"Are you writing anything about this?"

"Not a word. I know I may be wanted as a witness."

"That's true." The inspector puffed contemplatively for a moment. "Then there's this I don't mind telling you. There was a pistol—a five-chambered revolver, found clutched in that woman's hand. But De Reszke is missing. He never came with her to the hotel."

"Then you think it is suicide?"

The detective leaned forward and leveled a heavy forefinger at his questioner. "You've earned a right to know something of this business, Mr. Silvervale. It's no suicide. No, Mr. Silvervale, this is a carefully calculated murder, if ever there was one. And I

think your information will help us to fix the man, Roker," he addressed his companion—"you might get hold of the man, Roker, and there's bound to be a photograph somewhere. Take 'em along to the Yard and have 'em circulated. We merely want to question him, mind. Now, Mr. Silvervale, we'll see what the doctors say."

The two doctors, the police divisional surgeon and the medical man who had been first called on the discovery of the murder, had finished their examination. As Forrester passed into the next room, he spoke a few words in an undertone to the surgeon who nodded assentingly.

As soon as the doctor had gone, the inspector extracted a small bottle of black powder from his pocket and sprinkled it delicately over the open pages of a book resting on a table—a couple of yards from the couch. Forrester then blew the stuff away. The finger prints had developed in relief on the white margin.

"There's a blotting pad over there on the writing table, Mr. Silvervale," he said, "would you mind helping me for a moment?"

Forrester was cool and business-like, yet it was very gently that he lifted the dead white hands and impressed the finger tips on a sheet of paper on top of the pad. Silently he compared the impressions with those on the book.

"I'm only an amateur at this finger print game," he said at last. "Grant ought to have been here. See if you make these prints agree, Mr. Silvervale."

Silvervale carried the book to the window and bent his brows over it. He found it slow work, but at last he raised his head. "These are the thumb prints on the outer margin," he said.

"The one at the bottom of the book is no less."

"That's how I make it. Now we can get a fairly shrewd idea of how the thing was done. Mrs. De Reszke was on the couch reading. The murderer entered softly from the corridor, closing the door behind him. She looked up and placed the book beside her. He must have fired pointblank. Then to work out his idea of suicide he placed the pistol in her hand and picked up the book put it on the table. Here's where we start from—a piece of indisputable proof when we catch the murderer."

A little contempt at the apparent deliberation of the detective—at the time wasted on what seemed an obvious case—had come to Silvervale's mind. He had heard a suggestion; Forrester grinned.

"I'll bet a dollar I know what you're thinking. I'm wasting my time meddling with details while the murderer's escaping. Do you know I've had five men here questioning every one who might know anything about the case? Mrs. De Reszke has received no one, no one resembling her husband has been seen in the hotel. Do you know that there is not one railway station in London, but one hotel that is not even now being searched for a trace of De Reszke? We are not to show our critics' hand. If De Reszke did this murder he won't get away; you can take it from me. There's plenty of people trying to catch him—I've seen to that."

He moved heavily to the door. "I'm going out to the Yard," he said. "Care to come?"

As they turned under the big wrought-iron arch that spans the entrance to New Scotland Yard, Silvervale noted that they avoided the little back door that leads to the criminal investigation department and went up by the broad main entrance to those rooms on one of the topmost floors devoted to the finger print department.

Grant, the chief of the department, a black-mustached giant with lined face, head and shoulders protruding eyes, was seated at a low table pushing a magnifying glass across a sheet of paper. Forrester had slipped him heavily on the shoulder and he wheeled around frowningly.

(To be continued.)

### Allied Refusal of Red Cross Relief Request Explained

WASHINGTON, August 1.—With the apparent intention of closing the negotiations in which the United States has endeavored unsuccessfully to secure permission to send Red Cross supplies through the allied blockade lines into Germany and Austria, the allied governments have submitted through Ambassador Page at London a detailed summary of their reasons for refusing such permission. The communication, handed to the ambassador by the British foreign office and made public tonight by the state department, declares passage of such supplies "has been forbidden in the case of every blockade established in the past" and suggests that if the American people really desire to send relief supplies into the Teutonic countries they can find a way by financing Red Cross hospital units to take the place of those whose recent withdrawal led the allies to impose the restrictions against shipments.

Without hospital units to supervise distribution, the allies contend there can be no guarantee that the supplies will not be put to military use.

### PRESIDENT ASKED TO AID D. A. R. MOVEMENT

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—President Wilson's aid has been enlisted in the campaign undertaken by the Daughters of the American Revolution, to have the government purchase Monticello, the former home of Thomas Jefferson, as a national memorial. It was announced here Monday by Mrs. William Cunningham Story, president general of the D. A. R.

## At the Theaters

BY THE PRESS AGENTS

**Empress.**  
Heart interest and pathos are found in "Going Straight," in addition to many thrilling scenes in the Triangle production of this week play at the Empress today and Wednesday. The story depicts the difficulties of a couple determined to reform on account of their children. Normal Talmadge is starred in the production and scores a big success, similar to that in "The Little Fox of Peace," a propitious feature. "Eye of the Ring" is also on the bill. William S. Hart comes Thursday in "The Arson."

**Liberty.**  
Excepting, perhaps, some of the larger road shows, Oklahoma City seldom has had an opportunity to witness an aggregation of comic opera entertainers the equal of the Liberty theater. The cast of eighteen embraces a capable cast of principals and a small but brightly and most looking chorus. Bright costumes, escape comedy and catchy songs make the show go well. Ella Hall is appearing in a Bluebird picture play, "The Love Girl."

**Majestic.**  
Mary Fuller in her newest picture, "A Splash of Local Color," an underworld story, a Broncho Billy western and several comedies are on the Majestic program today. Tomorrow there will be five subjects including an educational reel relative to the prevention of infantile paralysis.

**Overholser.**  
The South American Film company of Oklahoma City has entered into an agreement with the Oklahoma national guard for the presentation of the photoplay entitled "The Call of the Bugle," a dramatization of the hero at the front. It is complete in six reels and is a most interesting production in every respect. The picture will be shown Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Overholser theater.

**Folly.**  
Babe DeMott and her Vaudeville Girls have opened a week's engagement at the Folly. This attraction is far and away the best of its kind that has been on view at this theater in some time. Miss DeMott is one of the most beautiful girls on the musical comedy stage. Today, French Rambeau, comedian, is a real treat and Tommy Hanley, silver voiced yodeler, has been a vaudeville top-line for many years.

**Belle Isle.**  
His free attraction at Belle Isle all this week, Ellis Shadid, strong man, will measure his strength against two automobiles tonight. Belle Isle offers many attractions, including dancing, swimming, boating, bowling, picnicking, golf, tennis, shooting galleries, pocket billiards, pin-ball grounds, etc.

**Lyric.**  
The big ventilation plant at the Lyric is working up to its full capacity, keeping the air in circulation. It is really a cool theater. The five vaudeville acts playing here now are as good as the season has thus far afforded, with plenty of variety. The program includes much music and comedy.

**Concord Airplane.**  
"Little Church around the Corner" is the title of the World Film feature picture play at Concord Airplane. Tonight there are as good as the season has thus far afforded, with plenty of variety. The program includes much music and comedy.

# Ford

THE UNIVERSAL CAR

## New Prices August 1, 1916

The following prices for Ford cars will be effective on and after August 1st, 1916

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These prices are positively guaranteed against any reduction before August 1st, 1917, but there is no guarantee against an advance in price at any time.

Our branch in Oklahoma City Main and Francis

### Mexican General To Capture Villa Or Give Up Post

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 1.—Lieut. Col. Jacobo Villalobos, chief of staff of General Maycotte, governor of Durango, has arrived here to confer with Secretary of War Obregon as to the best way to capture alive Francisco Villa, the bandit. Reports from the north say that Villa is in bad shape physically, suffering from a wound in his leg. General Maycotte has sworn that he will capture Villa alive if he is in the state of Durango, or else take the general's eagle from his own command. Addresses by General Maycotte, exempts all owners of land who have their land under cultivation, from taxes for one year, the taxes remitted to be in proportion to the amount of land owned and cultivated.

General Maycotte is reported to have given guarantees to the operators of the Villalobos mines, which employ thousands of workers, for the safety of the mines. The workers are to be paid on an American gold basis, as all companies in Durango now are paying, according to Colonel Villalobos. The bulletin turned over by mining men to General Maycotte for safekeeping during the recent excitement now is being held for the orders of the owners. Special guarantees are being given by the government to Americans in Durango.

Colonel Villalobos reports that the band of the Villa general, Calisto Contreras, was virtually wiped out at Chorro, Durango, July 19.

### PALESTINE RAILROAD CASE TO HIGH COURT

PALESTINE, Texas, Aug. 1.—The famous Palestine and I. & G. N. railroad general office case will be carried to the supreme court of the United States. A writ of error has been granted. This case involves the location of the general offices of the railroad company, which the citizens of Palestine allege were to remain in that city under an old contract.

### BRITISH IN SHANGHAI ADOPT DAYLIGHT SAVING

SHANGHAI.—British firms in Shanghai have adopted the daylight saving plan.

### Free Dancing and Free Admission at the Auditorium Tonight

In honor of the winning primary candidates, the winners will be announced between dances. Let's all dance before the final is in—Adv.

## "BILL" MORRIS

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Today shows the contest for political preference and I am confident that I will receive the nomination at the hands of my fellow-democrats. I was born in Mississippi and moved to Texas, but have been a citizen of Oklahoma City for four years.

My early life was spent in the middle and my life of a ranchman brought many sorrows and joys. I have never before asked for office, but have been content to serve in the ranks and do my full duty to my party and to my country.

There have been loyal to every duty and have sought to demonstrate my good citizenship and my integrity and character have never been questioned.

Ability and honesty are the characteristics that you should choose in selecting your public servants and I hope these attributes will secure for me your support and vote.

The leading business and professional men are my strongest supporters and I take this occasion to thank my friends for their loyal support in this campaign and urge them to renewed efforts in my behalf today.

**"BILL" MORRIS**

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